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that little children are now daily going to school in the North-west provinces of Canada in winter temperatures that a few generations ago were the terror of hardy explorers, we realize what systematic settlement in Labrador, with abundant food and shelter, may accomplish. Occupation of a region depends chiefly on the food question, and with railways in Labrador a population can be maintained there in working the resources, even if no foods can be obtained from the soil. Forethought is needed in cold regions, but otherwise they are in many ways preferable to tropical lands. Do away with the mosquito and the fly of the north and there is nothing uncomfortable or dangerous there. Dr. Grenfell has introduced the reindeer into Labrador, and as the moss and subsistence for this animal are abundant, there is no reason why it should not thrive as well here as in Alaska, where it is now domesticated. It is preferable to the dog as a traction animal and, besides, adds to the food resources. The dog must go, as it destroys the reindeer, is intractable, and more or less dangerous to man, Dr. Grenfell, himself, having had an experience with them never to be willingly repeated.

Cannes, Grasse, Juan-les Pins, Antibes. (Guides Joanne.) 69 pp., 12 photo-engravings, 2 plans and 3 maps. Hachette & Co., Paris, 1908. 1 fr. [A comprehensive and reliable guide to the many attractions, hotels, roads, etc., of these popular winter resorts.]

Das Problem der Entwicklung unseres Planetensystems. Aufstellung einer neuen Theorie nach vorhergehender Kritik der Theorien von Kant, Laplace, Poincaré, Moulton, Arrhenius u. a. Von Dr. Friedrich Nölke. xii and 216 pp., 3 figs. in text. Verlag Julius Springer, Berlin, 1908. M. 6. [A discussion of the various theories of the development of our planetary system fills nearly half of the book. The author's theory is based upon a new treatment of the nebular hypothesis, and he endeavors to trace our planetary system, in its present differing phases of development, back to its origin.]

Animal Figures in the Maya Codices. By Alfred M. Tozzer, Ph.D., and Glover M. Allen, Ph.D. Papers of the Peabody Museum of American Archaeology and Ethnology, Harvard University, Vol. 4, No. 3. pp. 280-372, 30 plates, 24 illustrations in the text and bibliography. Published by the Museum, Cambridge, Mass., 1910. [A contribution to the study of Maya hieroglyphic writing. Dr. Tozzer prepared the paper on the interpretation of these conventionalized animal figures and Dr. Allen aided in the identification of the various species of animals that, under varying forms are used in connection with the glyphs.]

Schneiders Typen-Atlas. Naturwissenschaftlich-Geographischer Bilder-Atlas für Schule und Haus. Sechste Auflage. Farbige Ausgabe. C. C. Meinhold & Söhne, Dresden, 1910. M. 5. [This important work for schools was prepared by Prof. Dr. Oskar Schneider with the assistance of other specialists. There are 16 colored plates. On ethnographic, zoologic and botanical maps of each continent are printed numerals referring to the pictures; thus the student is supplied with data showing the distribution and appearance of the races, animals and types of the flora, on each continent.]

Cinquante Histoires d'Extrême-Orient. Mises en français, d'après les textes malais annotées et précédées d'un coup d'œil sur la Malaisie. Par Albert Mersier. 170 pp. Société Générale d'Impression, Paris, 1908. Fr. 3.50. [The

author presents here in French extracts from various Malay texts including works of the imagination, narratives, fables, history, etc. The curious and instructive little book is very entertaining and throws light upon the inner life of the Malayan peoples.]

Sudan Almanac, 1910. Compiled in the Intelligence Department, Cairo. 99 pp. Harrison & Sons, London, 1910. 1 s. [Contains many tables and notes relating to the Anglo-Egyptian Sudan. Five pages are given to the principal articles of barter in various parts of that region.]

Étude géologique et minière des Provinces chinoises voisines du Tonkin. Par M. A. Leclerc, Ingénieur en Chef des Mines. 219 pp., and many photo-engravings and maps. Vve Ch. Dunod, Paris, 1902. [A valuable study of the geology and mineral resources of the Chinese territory adjoining Tonkin.]

Recuerdos de la Campaña del Acre de 1903. Mis Notas de Viaje. By Dr. Elías Sagárnaga. 194 pp. La Prensa de José L. Calderón, La Paz, 1909. [A good account of events and experiences in Bolivia's campaign against the gold seekers who attempted to establish the Republic of Acre in the northern part of that country.]

The Arctic and Antarctic Regions and the Law of Nations. By Thomas Willing Balch. Reprinted from *The American Journal of International Law*, April, 1910, pp. 265-275. [The author says that "the rules of the Law of Nations that recognize the freedom of the high seas would seem to apply naturally to a moving and shifting substance like the North Polar Sea ice at all points beyond the customary three-mile limit from the shore." The region around the South Pole is land, not a deep sea as at the North Pole. "But discovery alone is not sufficient to give a good title to a new, unoccupied land. The custom among nations for centuries, that gradually crystallized into a part of the Law of Nations, is that in order to perfect the right given by discovery, it must be followed by occupation." The author quotes many authorities in his lucid paper, and cites the case of Spitzbergen to which no nation has successfully asserted a claim of possession, so that those islands are now regarded as a joint possession of all mankind. Norway has recently invited the governments of other nations to send delegates to a conference at Christiania, this year, to arrange for the application of civil law and order in that archipelago. He concludes: "On general principles it would seem that both East and West Antarctica, two lands so much more difficult for man to occupy than Spitzbergen, should, following the liberal policy that has come to prevail in the case of Spitzbergen, become common possessions of all the family of nations."]

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